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In re Application of:

Lampaert, et al.

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For: Method and System for Predictive  
Multi-Component Circuit Layout  
Generation with Reduced Design Cycle

Art Unit: 2825

Examiner: Garbowski, Leigh M.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTIONHonorable Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated January 20, 2004 in the above-referenced patent application. Please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.